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FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING September 21, 2021- 10:00 A.M. COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203

The Franklin County Commissioners met in regular meeting on September 21, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners/Council Meeting Room. Those present were Tom Linkel, Tom Wilson, Gerald Wendel, Faye Hay, Commissioner's Secretary and Karla Bauman Auditor.

OPEN: The meeting was called to order and the pledge of allegiance was led by Tom Linkel.

John Palmer – Readi Regional Board: Mr. Palmer came before commissioners with a request for one of them to be appointed to the Readi Regional Board. This Board will then select a board of directors. Motion to appoint Tom Wilson to the Readi Regional Board by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried. Mr. Palmer also spoke to Commissioners about using approximately 1/3 of the ARP Funds as a match for the HELP grant. He suggested that the County share the application for the grant with the Town of Brookville. Commissioner Wilson and Linkel did not want to share the application with the Town of Brookville but for the County to apply on our own. Motion to have Mr. Palmer proceed with applying for the HELP grant, County only, by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.

80 Hours Covid related Illness: Commissioners discussed the 80 hours that was provided during 2020 by the Federal government and continuing with that for the remainder of 2021. Department heads will be required to track and report in writing to the Auditor's office all sick time used that is related to Covid-19 illness or quarantine. **Motion to continue the 80 hours with department heads tracking and reporting to the Auditor's office all Covid time used by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.**

Change of Asset Form: Two forms were presented for approval. The Sheriff was transferring a vehicle to the Surveyor and the Surveyor was transferring a vehicle to Highway. **Motion to approve the transfers as presented by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Buckeye Power Sales Co., Inc.: Motion to approve the Buckeye Maintenance Agreement with Buckeye Power Sales Company in the sum of \$915.00 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Clerk's Monthly Report – August 31, 2021: Motion to acknowledge receipt of the Clerk's August monthly report, by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Minutes – August 24, 2021: Motion to approve the August 24, 2021 meeting minutes by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Minutes – September 7, 2021: Motion to approve the September 7, 2021 meeting minutes by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Claims: Motion to approve claims for September 7, 2021 in the amount of \$533,424.98 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve the September 21, 2021 claims in the total amount of \$1,202,623.92 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Payroll & Payroll Deductions: Motion to approve the payroll and payroll deductions for September 7, 2021, in the total sum of \$191,490.77 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve the payroll and payroll deductions for September 21, 2021, in the sum of 191,791.99 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Larry Smith, County Engineer: Larry Smith updated the Commissioners on the Courthouse repairs. The date for completion has now been set for November 15th.

Amy Lindsey, EMA Director: EMA Director updated the Commissioners on the continuity plan currently being prepared. There are a few offices who have not turned in their plans yet and those will need to be completed as soon as possible. There will be a mock virtual drill to go over the plans sometime in October.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Tom Linkel seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Others Present: Veronica Bullock, John Palmer, R. Teufel, TLD, 647-5473, jwfcs and John.

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ATTESTED BY: Karla J. Bauman, Auditor